

Michael Powell and FCC, Please CANCEL the vote 6/2 on further deregulating the mass media--the public doesn't know about the implications, and it appears you are trying to slip it by us quietly to benefit your rich, greedy corporate buddies. Media ownership is already too concentrated, owned mostly by defense contractor corporations. The public can't even BUY anti-war ads now, as certain ideas, not to the liking of the administration and media ownership, are censored! There isn't a single full-time labor commentator on TV, yet we have business and finance stations, benefitting the stations owners. I can't even GET centrist or left news by turning on the chanel, just right wing military industrial complex-serving "news!" The media is censored, pro-corporate, and deceiving. Further deregulating will make this worse. It IS true that ignorant masses are easier to control, and this seems to be the administrations aim. The PEOPLE are supposed to make decisions like this, not you. Look up the definition of fascism---it unfortunately describes our current political system. Ashcroft is probably building a file on me as we speak. Sincerely, Catherine Price-Alick Missoula MT